

September 27, 2004

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45, USF Certification as Required by 47 C.F.R.
§ 54.314 for the year 2006

Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Majcher:

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, the Maine Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) certifies that, to be best of our knowledge, the federal high-cost support funds provided to RCC Minnesota, Inc., are being used only for the provision, maintenance, upgrading and extension of facilities and services for which the support is intended as provided by Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The MPUC Certification of Compliance with 47 C.F.R. 54.314(e) is based on the representations made by RCC Minnesota, Inc. in a letter filed September 6, 2005, a copy of which is attached.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Joel Shifman at joel.shifman@maine.gov or at (207)287-1381.

Sincerely,

Patrick Damon
Administrative Director

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Attachment